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Time is Your Enemy:

IN A FRANKLIN CAR / TRUCK WRECK

Disappearing Body Cam Video

You've just been in a crash and the other side claims you may be "partially" at fault. The claims adjuster for the other guy who hit you says they have not yet made a decision on who is at fault yet because they have not "completed their investigation." The adjuster tells you they have to interview witnesses and send the case to "committee" before they will accept fault. You know that is all just a bunch of bunk. Or do you?

So you give them some time. You keep on treating as you should. You (hopefully) have at least already downloaded my free book, *The 10 Worst Mistakes You Can Make With Your Tennessee Injury Case: How to Bulletproof your Claim Before the Insurance Adjuster Can Destroy It* (www.TnAccidentBook.com), and you are following that advice. You are thinking in the back of your mind that you may need a lawyer to help you with this situation, but you remind yourself that you "are not the type of person who sues someone at the drop of a hat" so you decide to hold off.

Are you making the right decision? There is a lot that hangs in the balance.

One of the key advancements in technology over the last 10 years is police body cam video. Several of my police officer friends tell me they have much video that would be incriminating to parties, but hardly anyone ever obtains the video, even by attorneys in disputed crash cases. What's worse, **the policy of the Franklin Police Department is that video and dash cam footage will "ROLL OFF" or DISAPPEAR AFTER 90 DAYS FOLLOWING YOUR WRECK!**

You cannot afford to let that happen. Here's why:

Just in the last 3 months, we have taken in two cases where we obtained both Dash cam and Body Cam video from the investigating officer. From that, we were able to identify a witness in a disputed red light claim (where the defendant either lied about having a green light, or was severely mistaken) where the officer failed to put that witness' name down on the police report. In another case, the defendant stated she was "not sure" if she had the green light at the scene, but later told her insurance adjuster that she was "certain" she did have the green light, and therefore improperly blamed our client 100%.

And you need the video, not just in "disputed" fault cases. We use the video to show how badly our clients are injured. We have used body cam to show the insurance company our client's predicament and pain as she was stuck in the car, legs pinned, screaming in pain, and yelling for someone to take care of her children, who were crying hysterically in the back seat while she was helpless to comfort them or reassure them. [Continued on Page 3](#)



Staff Spotlight

LOGAN ELLIOTT



Logan is a Nashville-native and graduated summa cum laude from Middle Tennessee State University with a degree in Political Science. Out of college, Logan worked as a legislative analyst with Tennessee Legislation Services at the Tennessee General Assembly as well as a Bankruptcy Paralegal at the Tennessee Attorney General's Office.

What gets you out of bed in the morning?

The desire to help others. No matter how large or small, I want to use every day as an opportunity to be able to help other people and to use my skill-set in a positive way.

What is your favorite weekend activity?

Most weekends you can find me watching soccer or attending Nashville SC games with my fellow supporters, going to concerts, or watching movies at the Belcourt.

Who inspires you?

My late grandfather. He worked hard every day of his life and sacrificed for his family. He taught me what it means to work hard and to be thankful for the things that you have.

Do you have motto or mantra?

Give a voice to the voiceless.

What is your favorite Local restaurant?

House of India.

Do you have a favorite quote?

Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter"
-Martin Luther King, Jr.

What sparked your interest to work in the legal field?

I took some pre-law classes in college and really fell in love with learning the law. The legal field feels like the best opportunity for me to give back and help others.



SHARE YOUR STORY!

Summer Plans

Fun in the Sun

CMA FEST



Downtown will be packed June 6 -9 for CMA Fest! Make sure and check out the concert calendar so you can grab a space to hear your favorite country crooner!

AMERICAN ARTISAN FESTIVAL



Showcasing 150 artisans from 35 states, there is something for everyone at this festival. Enjoy the beauty of Centennial Park while shopping!

BLACKBERRY JAM MUSIC FESTIVAL



A guaranteed good time for all at the 16th Annual Music Festival. Snag a ticket so you can enjoy the fun! Starts at noon on Boyd Mill Farm in Franklin!

FRANKLIN FARMER'S MARKET



Nothing says Summer like fresh fruit! Every Saturday the Franklin Farmer's Market has a wide selection of fruits and veggies! Eat healthy and support your local community!

YOUR TURN

Christina C.

Spring Hill, TN

John Griffith and his team are absolutely a blessing! I was rear ended last year and was hurt pretty bad. I came to John Griffith not knowing how any of this works. Griffith Law got me a great settlement! More than expected! He cares about his clients! My Mom is going through Cancer and he was there for me. Best of all my receiving of the settlement was fast! Thanks Griffith Law!



*Thanks so much for the kind words
Christina!*

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Also, in the past where our client's have been hit by extremely drunk drivers, we have also used the body cam video to get proof the defendant could barely walk and was slurring his words; all of which helped us get a great settlement for our client.

But what did all of these people we helped have in common? They came to us EARLY; very shortly after their wreck. The GriffithLaw policy and procedures require that we ALWAYS order dash cam and body cam video from the investigating officer. Sometimes we cannot get it because too much time has elapsed from after the wreck to when the person decides to hire us, so we can get the request out. If you wait too late, this information is likely to disappear.

If you have a question about how to obtain this information, we will be glad to help you out. The insurance companies just want you to be a number. They don't want your pain to have any significant value or be shown in real time. They love to delay and let evidence disappear. Most of our cases settle (over 98%) but some cases settle earlier, and for higher values, because our clients chose to come see me earlier rather than later when we can get this valuable and fragile evidence. I counsel people every day to help them deal with their life situation. Sometimes we just talk people through their situation, and are honest if we cannot bring them significant benefit. If so, we do not charge them a penny. I am in the business of make friends first before money. My momma always taught me that if you do right by people, are honest with them, and do your very best, you will have more business than you can handle. Momma was right.

Wishing you the BEST!



Cottage Pudding Cake



9 servings

INGREDIENTS

2 cups all-purpose flour
2 1/2 tsp baking powder
1/4 tsp salt
1/3 cup vegetable shortening
1 cup white sugar
1 egg
1/2 tsp vanilla extract
1 cup milk

DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat an oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C). Grease a 9-inch square cake pan. Whisk the flour, baking powder, and salt together in a bowl; set aside.
2. Beat the shortening and sugar with an electric mixer in a large bowl until light and fluffy. Beat in the egg and vanilla extract until smooth. Pour in the flour mixture alternately with the milk, mixing until just incorporated. Pour the batter into prepared pan.
3. Bake in the preheated oven until a toothpick inserted into the center comes out clean, about 25 minutes. Cool in the pans for 10 minutes before removing to cool completely on a wire rack.

Prep: 10 minutes

Cook: 25 minutes

Ready In: 1 hour



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Congrats to Our Newest J.D.!

We'd like to wish a big Congratulations to case manager, Josh Cantrell as he graduated last month from Nashville School of Law with his Doctorate of Jurisprudence!

Not only did Josh work full-time while obtaining his law school education, but he also managed to graduate as one of the Top 10 in his class!

We will miss Josh as he takes some time off to study for the bar this summer, but we look forward to welcoming him back upon his return and adding a new attorney to the team!

Congrats Josh!!



WE ❤️ LOVE OUR CLIENTS!



Make sure you are following us on Facebook for Summer Giveaways!

